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### REMARKS

#### *The Pending Claims*

Claims 27-35 have been added, thus, claims 9-19 and 27-35 are currently are pending in the application.

#### *Response*

Claims 9-13 and 19 were rejected under 35 U.S.C. 103(a) as being unpatentable over Nordin (US Patent 5,804,274).

The Office Action states that Nordin does not teach that the long filaments are at least about 10 denier per filament greater than the denier of the filaments of the short loops, but that it is obvious over the Nordin patent. Applicants respectfully disagree with this analysis. Nordin discloses that the short filaments are less than 1 Dtex (0.9 denier) and the long yarns have filaments that are substantially greater above 1 Dtex. In the Example of Nordin the short filaments are 0.3 Dtex and the long filaments are 1.5 Dtex. The short and long fibers are approximately 1 denier different, not at least 10 denier as recited in Claim 9. Based off the teachings and reading the ranges in context, one skilled in the art would interpret "substantially greater than 1 Dtex" as in the range of approximately 1.5 Dtex, not 10 Dtex.

The Office Action states that because the long loop filaments of Nordin are coarser than the short loop filament of Nordin, the long loops will inherently be stiffer than the short loops. The Applicants respectfully disagree with this conclusion. Stiffness and coarseness are not inherently the same. The American Heritage College Dictionary defines coarse to be lacking in delicacy or refinement or rough, especially to the touch. The American Heritage College Dictionary defines stiff to be difficult to bend or rigid. (See attached dictionary entries) A fiber or yarn that is coarse is not necessary stiff and a stiff fiber or yarn is not necessary coarse.

Claims 15-18 were rejected under 35 U.S.C. 103(a) as being unpatentable over Nordin in view of Yamazaki. The Office Action states that Nordin fails to teach or suggest employing a long loop yarn (a) having a cross-sectional aspect ratio of greater than 1.2, (b) having a cross-sectional shape including on corner edge, (c) having a rectangular cross-sectional shape, or (d) comprising a slit tape yarn. The Office Action states that Yamazaki teaches a looped fabric comprising fibers of a lobed cross-sectional shape and/or an aspect ratio of 1.2-

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4. The Office Action goes on to state that it would be obvious to one skilled in the art to employ a non-round cross-section fiber of Kawazaki for the long loop yarns of Nordin. Applicants respectfully disagree with this conclusion.

Applicants respectfully submit that Kamazaki is non-analogous art to the present invention. In order for a reference to be analogous art, the reference must either be from the same field of endeavor, regardless of the problem addressed, or reasonably pertinent to the particular problem with which the inventor is involved. *In re Clay*, 966 F.2d 656; 23 USPQ2d 1058 (Fed. Cir. 1992). Kamazaki is directed to the female member of a hook and loop fastener. In contrast, the present invention is directed to a cleaning cloth. The Applicants respectfully submit that the issues surrounding the design of a female member for a hook and loop fastener is substantially different from the issues surrounding the design cleaning cloths. Therefore, Applicants respectfully submit that Kawazaki is not directed to the same field of endeavor as the claimed invention.

The problem addressed by Kawazaki is to provide a female member of a hook and loop fastener that can be used with various configurations of the male member in the hook and loop fastener. In contrast, the problem addressed by the present invention is to create a cleaning cloth with both stiff loops and receiving loops to better clean surfaces. The Applicants respectfully submit that a person trying to create cleaning cloths would not reasonably look to art trying to create a versatile female member of a hook and loop fastener.

As can be seen from the divergent fields and the different purposes of Kawazaki and the present invention, Kawazaki is non-analogous art. Therefore, the Applicants respectfully submit that Kawazaki should not be considered in an obviousness type rejection.

Furthermore, the Applicants respectfully submit that there is no teaching, suggestion, or motivation to combine Nordin with Kawazaki. The mere fact that references can be combined or modified does not render the resultant combination obvious unless the prior art also suggest the desirability of the combination. *In re Mills*, 916 F.2d 860, 16 USPQ2d 1430, 4132 (Fed. Cir. 1990). The teaching or suggestion to make the claimed combination and the reasonable expectation of success must both be found in the prior art, not in applicant's disclosure. *In re Vaeck*, 947 F.2d 488, 20 USPQ2d 1438 (Fed. Cir. 1991).

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Nordin is directed towards a cleaning cloth for cleaning dirty surfaces with one side having longer loops of yarn having normal fiber fineness and shorter loops of microfilament for improved absorbency. Different fiber configurations are disclosed, but there is no teaching or suggestion that there is a need to have the long loops of yarn having a cross-sectional shape other than round. Further, Nordin teaches away from non-round shapes by teaching that the longer loops being round in shape are preferred because of lower friction against the support. (Col 3, lines 36-40) There is no teaching, suggestion, or motive to use the female member of a hook and loop fastener of Kawazaki for cleaning surfaces.

Additionally, all the claim limitations must be taught or suggested by the prior art as stated in MPEP § 2142. For the sake of argument, even if the Nordin and the Kawazaki references were combined, Appellants respectfully submit that this standard is not met with regard to the claims as now presented. For example, neither the Nordin nor the Kawazaki patents, together or singly, teach or suggest a stiff yarn being a slit film or receiving loops and the stiff loops that originate at about the same location on the first side of the base substrate and return to the first side of the base substrate at about the same location. Therefore, Applicants believe that the claimed invention is not obvious over Nordin or with Nordin in view of Kawazaki.

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*Conclusion*

In view of the forgoing amendments and remarks, the Examiner is respectfully requested to withdraw the outstanding rejection and to pass the subject application to Allowance. In the event that the Examiner believes that the claims would be allowable with minor changes, the Examiner is invited to telephone the undersigned to discuss an Examiner's Amendment.

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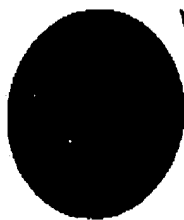
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Stickleback  
Three-spine stickleback  
*Gasterosteus aculeatus*



Still life  
Fruit, 1868, by Paul Lacroix  
(active in America  
1858-1869)

**stick·er** (stik'ar) *n.* 1. One that sticks, as an adhesive label. 2. A tenacious or diligent person. 3. A thorn, prickle, or barb. **stick·er price** *n.* See **list price**.

**stick figure** *n.* A picture of a human or animal figure showing the head as a circle and the other body parts as straight lines. **stick·ful** (stik'ful) *n.* *Print.* The amount of type a composing stick will hold.

**stick·han·dle** (stik'hàn'dl) *intr.v.* -dled, -dles, -dles. *Sports.* To move, maneuver, and have control over the puck in ice hockey or the ball in lacrosse and field hockey. — **stick·han·dler** *n.*

**stick·ing plaster** (stik'ing) *n.* See **plaster** 3.

**sticking point** *n.* A point, an issue, or a situation that causes or is likely to cause an impasse.

**stick insect** *n.* Any of several insects of the family Phasmodae, such as the walking stick, that resemble sticks or twigs.

**stick·in·the·mud** (stik'in-tha-mud) *n., pl.* stick-in-the-muds. *Informal.* One without initiative, imagination, or enthusiasm.

**stick·le** (stik'le) *intr.v.* -led, -ling, -les. 1. To argue or contend stubbornly, esp. about trivial points. 2. To have or raise objections; scruple. [Var. of ME *stighlen*, to contend, freq. of *stighen*, to arrange < OE *stighian*, *stighian*. See **stale** 1.]

**stick·le·back** (stik'le-bak) *n.* Any of various small freshwater and marine fishes of the family Gasterosteidae, having erectile spines along the back. [ME *stikelbak*; OE *sticel*, prick; see **stale** 1 + ME *bak*, back; see **back** 1.]

**stick·ler** (stik'lar) *n.* 1. One who insists on something unyieldingly. 2. Something puzzling or difficult.

**stick·pin** (stik'pin) *n.* A decorative pin worn on a necktie. **stick·seed** (stik'sed) *n.* Any of various plants of the genera *Hackelia* or *Lappula*, with clinging barbed fruits.

**stick shift** *n.* An automotive transmission with a shift lever operated by hand.

**stick·tight** (stik'tit) *n.* See **boggar ticks** 1a.

**stick-to-the·ness** (stik-toh-tel-nis) *n.* *Informal.* Unwavering pertinacity; perseverance.

**stick·um** (stik'um) *n.* An adhesive substance. [Stick + *-um* (var. of *-em*)]

**stick·up** (stik'up) *n.* *Slang.* A robbery, esp. at gunpoint. (< the expression "Stick up your hands!")

**stick·wood** (stik'wud) *n.* Any of various plants having clinging seeds or fruit, esp. ragweed.

**stick·y** (stik'ē) *adj.* -ier, -iest. 1. Having the property of adhering or sticking to a surface; adhesive. 2. Covered with an adhesive agent. 3. Warm and humid; muggy. 4. *Informal.* Painful or difficult. 5. *Econ.* Tending to remain the same despite changes in the economy. Used of prices or wages. — **stick·i·ly** *adv.* — **stick·i·ness** *n.*

**stick·y wicket** *n.* *Informal.* A difficult or embarrassing problem or situation.

**stied** (stid) *v.* Pt. and p.p. of **stye** 1.

**Stieglitz** (steg'litz) *Alfred.* 1864-1946. Amer. photographer known for his stark black-and-white images.

**sties** 1 (stē) *n.* Pl. of **stye** 1. — *v.* Third pers. sing. pr.t. of **stye** 1.

**stias** 2 (stē) *n.* Pl. of **stye** 2.

**stiff** (stif) *adj.* **stiff·er**, **stiff·est**. 1. Difficult to bend; rigid. 2a. Not moving or operating easily or freely; resistant. b. Lacking ease or comfort of movement; not limber; a **stiff neck**. 3. Drawn tightly; taut. 4a. Rigidly formal. b. Lacking ease or grace. 5. Not liquid, loose, or fluid; thick. 6. Firm, as in purpose; resolute. 7. Having a strong, swift, steady force or movement. 8. Potent or strong. 9. Difficult, laborious, or arduous. 10. Difficult to comprehend or accept; harsh or severe. 11. Excessively high: a **stiff price**. 12. *Naut.* Not likely to beel excessively under sail. — *adv.* 1. In a stiff manner: frozen **stiff**. 2. To a complete extent; totally. — *n.* *Slang.* 1. A corpse. 2. A person seen as constrained, priggish, or overformal. 3. A drunk. 4. A person: a **lucky stiff**. 5. A bobo; a tramp. 6. A person who tips poorly. — *tr.v.* **stiffed**, **stiff·ing**, **stiffs**.

*Slang.* 1. To tip (someone) inadequately or not at all, as for a service rendered. 2a. To cheat (someone) of something owed. b. To fail to give or supply (something that is expected or promised). [ME < OE *stif*] — **stiff·ly** *adv.* — **stiff·ness** *n.*

**Syns:** **stiff**, **rigid**, **inflexible**, **inelastic**, **tense**. These adjectives describe what is very firm and does not easily bend or give way. **Stiff**, the least specific, refers to what can be flexed only with difficulty (a brush with stiff bristles); with reference to persons it often suggests a lack of ease, cold formality, or fixity, as of purpose: "stiff in opinions" (John Dryden). **Rigid** and **inflexible** apply to what cannot be bent without damage or deformation (an inflexible knife blade); figuratively they describe what does not relent or yield: "under the dictates of a rigid disciplinarian" (Thomas B. Aldrich). "In religion the law is written, and inflexible, never to do evil" (Oliver Goldsmith). **Inelastic** refers largely to what will not stretch and spring back without marked physical change: an inelastic substance. **Tense** means stretched tight and figuratively applies to what is marked by tenuity or strain: "that tense moment of expectation" (Arnold Bennett).

**stiff·arm** (stif'arm) *Football.* — *tr.v.* -armed, -arms, -ing, -arma. To straighten. — *n.* A straight-arm.

**stiff·en** (stif'en) *tr. & intr.v.* -ened, -en·ing, -ens. To become stiff or stiffer. — **stiff·en·er** *n.*

**stiff·necked** (stif'nek) *adj.* Stubborn and obstinate. See **Syns** at **obstinate**.

**stif·fling** (stif'fling) *v.* -fled, -fling, -fles. — *tr.* 1. To cut off (the voice, for example). 2. To keep from expressing. 3. To kill by preventing respiration; suffocate. — *intr.* 1. To feel smothered or suffocated by close confinement in a stuffy room. 2. To stifle. [ME *stiflen*, alteration (influenced by *stiflen*)]

up) of **stiflen**, **stiflen**, to stifle, choke, smother; *transfer*, of Gmc. orig.] — **stif·fler** *n.*

**stif·fle** (stif'fal) *n.* The joint of the hind leg of a human knee in certain quadrupeds, such as a horse. < OFr. *stiffler*, pipe, leg, tibia < Lat. *stifflis*

**stif·fling** (stif'fling) *adj.* 1. Very hot or suffocating point of being suffocating. 2. Engendering suffocation, repression, or suffocation. — **stif·fling·ly** *adv.*

**stig·ma** (stig'ma) *n., pl.* stig·ma·ta (stig'ma-ta). 1. A mark or sign of disgrace, or reproach. 2. A small mark on the skin. 3. *Medic.* a. A mark or spot on the skin, often a symptom of hysteria. b. A mark or characteristic of a history of a disease or abnormality. 4. A sore corresponding to the wounds of Jesus Christ. 5. A spot, or pore, such as an eye. 6. *Bot.* The receptive apex of an ovule. 7. *Bot.* Pollen is deposited. 7. *Archaeol.* A mark on the skin of a criminal or slave; a brand. [ME *stigma*, *stigma* < Gk., tattoo-mark < *stigma*, to mark] — **stig·ma·tize** *v.* — **stig·ma·tized** *adj.*

**stig·ma·tize** (stig'ma-tīz) *v.* -tized, -tizing. To mark with a stigma. — **stig·ma·tized** *adj.*

**stig·ma·tism** (stig'ma-tiz'm) *n.* 1. The state of being affected by stigmata. 2. The state of being marked with stigmata or a stigma. 3. The state of being marked with stigmata or a stigma. 4. The state of being marked with stigmata or a stigma. 5. The state of being marked with stigmata or a stigma. 6. The state of being marked with stigmata or a stigma. 7. The state of being marked with stigmata or a stigma. 8. The state of being marked with stigmata or a stigma. 9. The state of being marked with stigmata or a stigma. 10. The state of being marked with stigmata or a stigma. 11. The state of being marked with stigmata or a stigma. 12. The state of being marked with stigmata or a stigma. 13. The state of being marked with stigmata or a stigma. 14. The state of being marked with stigmata or a stigma. 15. The state of being marked with stigmata or a stigma. 16. The state of being marked with stigmata or a stigma. 17. The state of being marked with stigmata or a stigma. 18. 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ical class of passenger accom-  
airplane or a train. 3. Sports  
athletes or athletic teams. 4.  
in, as in singing. B. A private  
dent for an examination.  
coach·es. 1. To train or  
2. To transport by or ride in  
Ger. Kutsche < Hung.  
Hungary (where such carriage  
a·bis adj. — coach'er n.  
n. 2.

1. A man who drives a coach  
used in angling.  
2. An impelling or resist-  
ant action. 3. Ecol. Any of the  
such as symbiosis, that can  
ectarian < Lat. coactō, coactio  
art. of cōgere, to collect, con-  
id 3: co- + actōn-] — co-act-

adj. Ecol. Of or relating to  
some established through mean-  
between organisms in a com-  
l-āp-ā'shan) n.  
int) n. A helper; an assistant.  
er, kō-nj-ā-tor) n. 1. A coworker  
to a bishop. [ME coadjutor  
co- + adiutor, assistant (Fr.  
ti).  
le, -nāt') adj. Closely joined;  
coadjutō, p.p. of coadju-  
+ Lat. adiūnere, to unite (ad-  
] — co-adj-u-nā'tōn (-nā'tōn)

lent) n. An agent that causes  
co-ag-u-lant adj.  
-lās', -lāz') n. An enzyme, esp.  
coagulation. (coagulā'ti) +  
lāt') v. -lāt-ed, -lāt-ing, -lāt-  
ing) v. to coagulate, to cause  
of (a liquid or sol. for exam-  
nissoid, or solid mass. — in-  
coagulate < Lat. coagulare, to  
+ See coagula-]. — co-ag-u-lā'tōn

a-lam) n., pl. -lās (-lās). A coal  
or (Lat., coagulator, reducer  
+ agere, to drive; see ag-).  
aral dark brown to black  
el, formed from fossilized  
0 percent carbon by weight  
glowing or charred piece of  
sed. coal·ing, coals. — n. 1.  
a charcoal residue. 2. To pro-  
on coal. [ME col < OE.  
nir, u-, leasod, leas-ing, leas-  
2. To come together so as to  
alēscere: co- + co- + alēscere,  
nourish; see al-]. — co-al-  
adj.

. Any of several black or dark  
3 or subfossil.  
us mixture produced by the  
ous coal and used as a com-  
re released by burning coal.  
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of coalescere, to grow to-  
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n. 1. A dark nebula that  
2. A similar dark nebula  
is the constellation Cygnus.  
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obtained by the destructive  
ed, as in sealants or paint.  
n. Naut. A raised rim or bar-  
d to keep out water. [?]  
chor (kū-ding' kōr) n. Embel-  
minating a newness. — co-  
'clit') adj. 2. Contaminat-  
an insect pupa. 2. Contamin-  
a segment of a blood vessel  
clāre, to compress, alter-

co- + ardire, to compress (< ardis, tight, confined; see  
ar-]). — co·arc-tation n.  
coarse (kōrs, kōr) adj. coarse·er, coarse·est. 1. Of low com-  
pact, or inferior quality. 2. Lacking in delicacy or refine-  
ment. 3. Vulgar or indecent. 3. Consisting of large particles;  
coarse·ly adv. — coarse·ness n.  
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coarse-grained (kōrs'grānd', kōrs'grān') adj. 1. Having a rough,  
coarse texture. 2. Not refined; indelicate and crude.

coast (kōst) n. 1. A. Land next to the sea; the seashore.  
B. Coast. The Pacific Coast of the United States. 2. A hill or  
other slope down which one may coast. 3. The act of sliding  
or coasting. 4. Obsolete. The frontier or border of a  
country. — v. coast·ed, coast·ing, coasts. — intr. 1. A. To  
slide down an incline through the effect of gravity. B. To move  
smoothly and smoothly. See Syns at slide. 2. To move with-  
out further use of propelling power. 3. To act or move nim-  
bly with little effort. 4. Naut. To sail near or along a  
coast. — tr. Naut. To sail or move along the coast or border  
of. [ME coste < OFr. < Lat. costa, side. See cost-].

coastal (kōst'al) adj.  
coaster (kōst'er) n. 1. One that coasts, as: a. One who acts  
in a careless manner. b. A sled or toboggan. c. One who  
sledded or tobogganed. 2. Naut. A vessel engaged in coastal  
trade. 3. A roller coaster. 4. A disk, plate, or small mat  
placed under a bottle, pitcher, or drinking glass to protect the  
surface beneath. B. A small tray, often on wheels, for passing  
drinks around a table. 3. A resident of a coastal region.

coast brake n. A brake and clutch on the rear wheel and  
mechanism of a bicycle operated through reverse pres-  
sure on the pedals.

coast guard also Coast Guard n. 1. The branch of a nation's  
armed forces responsible for coastal defense, protection of life  
property at sea, and enforcement of customs, immigra-  
tion, and navigation laws. 2. A coast guard member.

coastguardman (kōst'gārdz'mən) n. A member of a coast  
guard.

coastland (kōst'lānd') n. The land along a coast.

coastline (kōst'lin') n. The shape or boundary of a coast.  
coast mountains. A range of W British Columbia, Canada,  
extending c. 1,609 km (1,000 mi) parallel to the  
coast and rising to 3,996.7 m (13,104 ft).

coast ranges. A series of mountain ranges of extreme W  
North America extending from SE AK to Baja California.

coastline of the Pacific Ocean.

coastal n. The Salish-speaking Native American peoples  
inhabiting the northwest Pacific coast from the Strait of Geo-  
rge to northwest Washington.

coastal (kōst'ro-kōst') adj. Reaching, airing, or trav-  
eling along one coast to another.

coastward (kōst'wārd) adv. & adj. Toward or directed to-  
ward coast. — coast'wardz (-wārdz) adv.

coastwise (kōst'wīz') adv. & adj. Along, by way of, or fol-  
lowing a coast.

coat (kōt) n. 1. A sleeved outer garment extending from the  
neck to the waist or below. B. A garment extending to  
the waist and usu. forming the top part of a suit.

coat·ing. 1. A material over covering, an integument. 3. A layer of  
something else: a coating. — tr. v. coat·ed,  
coat·ing. 1. To provide or cover with a coat. 2. To  
cover a layer, as of paint. [ME cote < OFr. of Gmc.  
\*kōt-].

coat·ed adj.  
coat·ed' n. A dress that buttons up the front and  
is somewhat like a coat.

coat·er n. Any of four species of mammals of the  
genus or Neotoma of South and Central America and  
the United States, related to the raccoon but having  
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coax' (kōks) v. coaxed, coax'ing, coax'es. — tr. 1. To per-  
suade or try to persuade by pleading or flattery: cajole. 2. To  
obtain by persistent persuasion. 3. Obsolete. To press; fol-  
low. — intr. To use persuasion or inducement. [Obsolete  
coaks, to fool < coaks, fool.] — coax'er n.

co·ax' (kō'aks, kō-āks') n. Informal. A coaxial cable.

co·ax'·al (kō-āks'ē-al) adj. Having or mounted on a com-  
municator.

coaxial cable n. A cable consisting of a conducting metal tube  
enclosing and insulated from a central conducting core, used  
for transmitting high-frequency signals.

cob (kōb) n. 1. A corncock. 2. A male swan. 3. A thickset,  
stocky, short-legged horse. 4. A small lump or mass, as of  
coal. 5. A mixture of clay and straw used as a building ma-  
terial. [Prob. < obsolete cob, round object, head, testicle.]

co·bal·a·min (kō-bāl'ā-min) also co·bal·a·mine (-mēn') n.  
See Vitamin B<sub>12</sub>. (co-bal'ā) + (vī'tā-mīn).

co·balt (kō'bālt') n. Symbol Co A metallic element, used chief-  
ly for magnetic alloys and high-temperature alloys and in the  
form of its salts for blue glass and ceramic pigments. Atomic  
number 27; atomic weight 58.9332; melting point 1,495°C;  
boiling point 2,900°C; specific gravity 8.9; valence 2, 3. See  
table at element. [Ger. Kobalt < MHGer. kobolt, goblin  
(from the trouble it gave silver miners).]

cobalt 60 n. A radioactive isotope of cobalt with mass number  
60, used in radiotherapy, metallurgy, and materials testing.

cobalt blue n. 1. A blue to green pigment consisting of a vari-  
able mixture of cobalt oxide and alumina. 2. Color. A mod-  
erate to deep vivid blue or strong greenish blue.

co·balt·ic (kō-bāl'tik) adj. Of or containing cobalt, esp. with  
valence 3.

co·balt·ite (kō'bāl'tīt') also co·balt·ine (-tēn') n. A rare  
mineral, cobalt sulfarsenide, CoAsS, that is a cobalt ore.

co·balt·ous (kō-bāl'təs) adj. Of or containing cobalt, esp.  
with valence 2.

Cobb (kōb). Tyrus ("Ty") Raymond. 1886–1961. Amer. base-  
ball player and manager who was the first player elected to  
the National Baseball Hall of Fame (1936).

Cobbett (kōb'tit), William. 1763?–1835. British journalist  
noted for his essays on the deterioration of rural life brought  
about by the Industrial Revolution.

cob·ble' (kōb'bl) n. 1. A cobblestone. 2. Geol. A rock frag-  
ment between 64 and 256 millimeters in diameter, esp. a nat-  
urally rounded one. 3. Cobbles. See cob coal. — tr. v. -bled,  
-bling, -bles. To pave with cobblestones.

cob·ble' (kōb'bl) tr. v. -bled, -bling, -bles. 1. To make or mend  
(boots or shoes). 2. To put together clumsily; bungle.

cob·bler' (kōb'blər) n. 1. One that mends or makes boots and  
shoes. 2. Archaic. One who is clumsy at work; a bungler.  
[ME cobler.]

cob·bler' (kōb'blər) n. 1. A deep-dish fruit pie with a thick top  
crust. 2. An iced drink made of wine or liquor, sugar, and  
citrus fruit. [?]

cob·ble·stone (kōb'bl-stōn) n. A naturally rounded paving  
stone. [ME cobelston; obsolete cobel, prob. dim. of cob,  
round object; see cob + ME stan, stone, stone; see stone.]

cob coal n. Coal in rounded lumps of various sizes.

Cob·den (kōb'dən), Richard. 1804–65. British politician who  
was a leading supporter of free trade.

co·bal·lig·er·ant (kō'bāl'līj-ər-ant) n. One, such as a nation,  
that assists another or others in waging war.

Cobh (kōv). An urban district of 5 islands on Cork Harbor;  
called Queenstown from 1849 to 1922. Pop. 6,587.

co·bi·a (kō'bi-ā) n. A large food and game fish (Rachycentron  
canadum) of tropical and subtropical seas. (Origin unknown.)

Co·bi·erz (kō'bi-erz'). See Koblenz.

co·burt (kō'burt) n. 1. The large edible nut of a cultivated  
variety of hazel. 2. The plant bearing this fruit.

CO·BOL or Co·bol (kō'bōl') n. Comp. Sci. A programming  
language based on English words and phrases, used for busi-  
ness applications. (Common) Business-(O)riented Lan-  
guage.)

co·bra (kō'brā) n. 1. Any of several venomous snakes, esp. of  
the genus Naja, that are native to Asia and Africa and capable  
of expanding the skin of the neck to form a flattened hood.

2. Leather made from the skin of one of these snakes. (Short  
for Port. cobra (de capello), snake (with a hood) < Lat. co-  
lūbra, fern. of coluber.)

Co·burg (kō'burg'). A city of central Germany N of Nurem-  
berg; first mentioned in the 11th cent. Pop. 44,239.

cob·web (kōb'web') n. 1. A. The web spun by a spider to catch  
its prey. B. A single thread of a cobweb. 2. Something resem-  
bling a cobweb. 3. An intricate plot; a snare. 4. cobwebs.  
Confusion; disorder. — tr. v. -webbed, -web·bing, -webs. To  
cover with or as if with cobwebs. [ME cappelweb; cappel,  
spider (short for attorcipere < OE attorcippe; dtor, poison +  
capp, head) + web, web; see web.]

co·ca (kō'ka) n. 1. Any of certain Andean evergreen shrubs or  
small trees of the genus Erythroxylum, esp. E. coca, whose  
leaves contain cocaine and other alkaloids. 2. The dried leaves  
of such a plant, used for extraction of cocaine and other al-  
kaloids. [Sp. < Quechua kika.]

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Acorn Street on Boston Hill,  
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/ (primary),  
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